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**Carbazole and/or triphenylamine-based D- $\pi$ -D multiarylamino dyes:  
Synthesis, characterization and photophysical properties**

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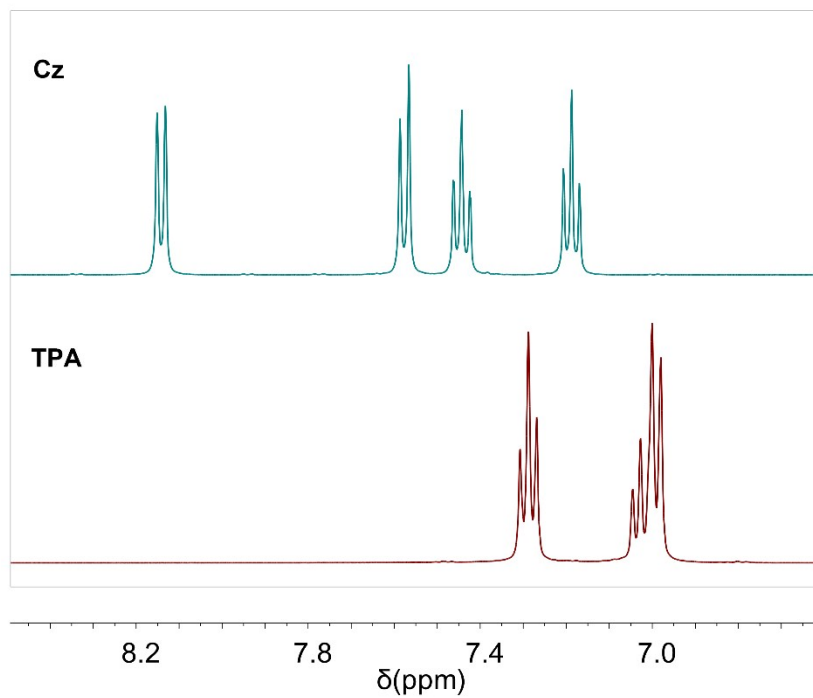
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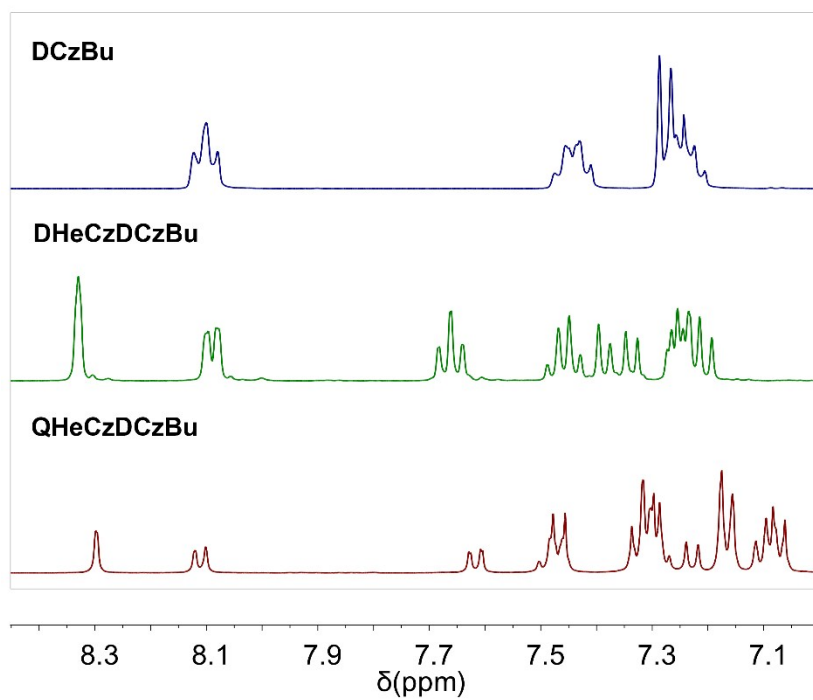
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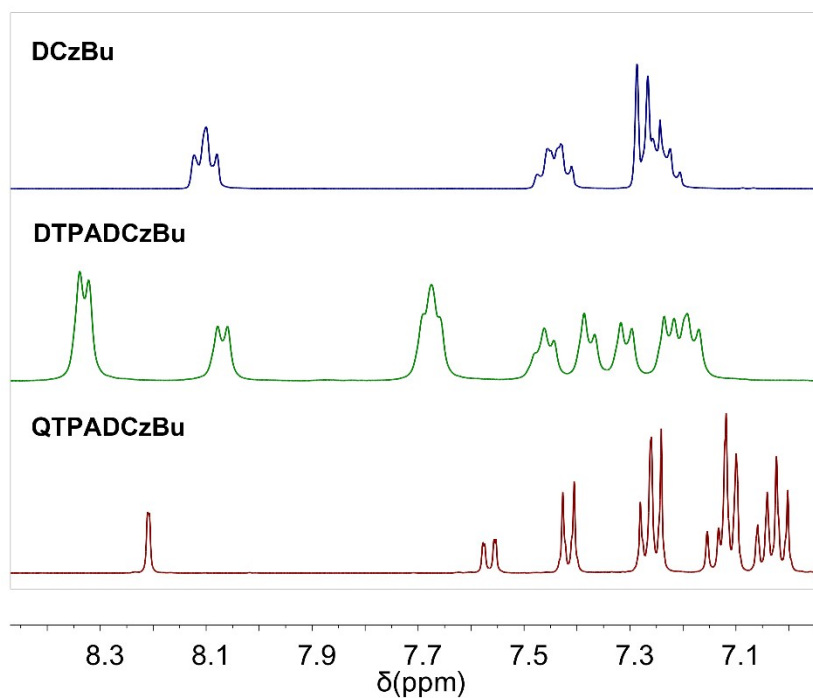
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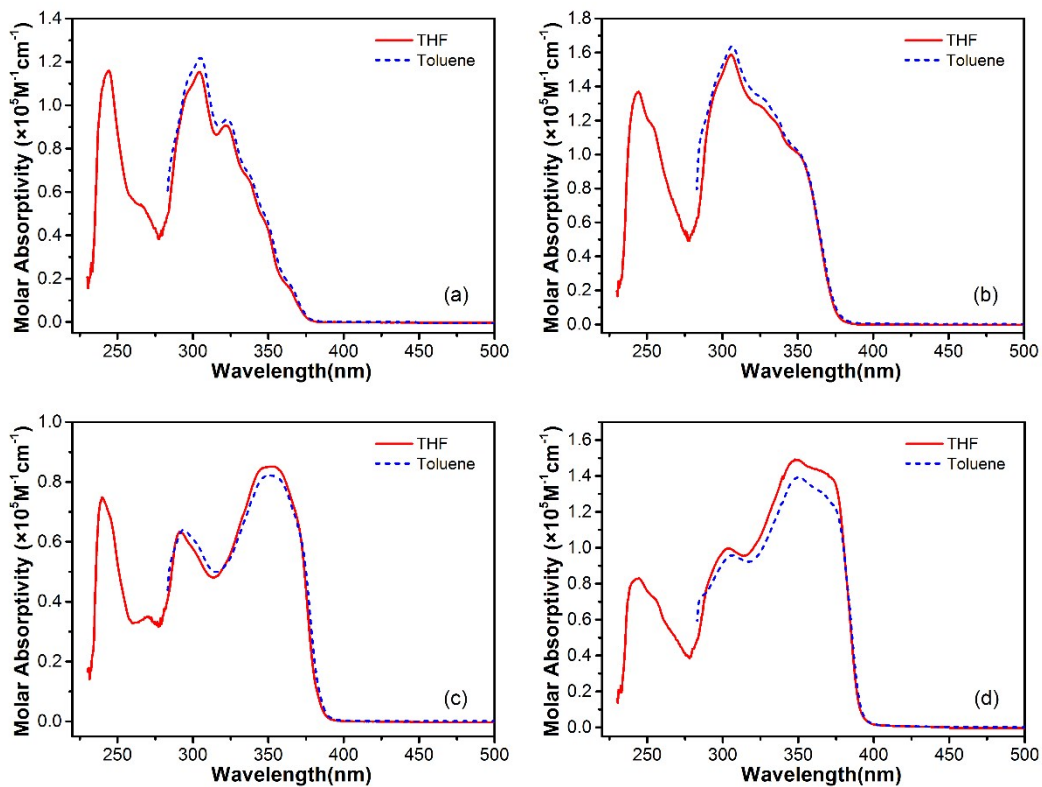
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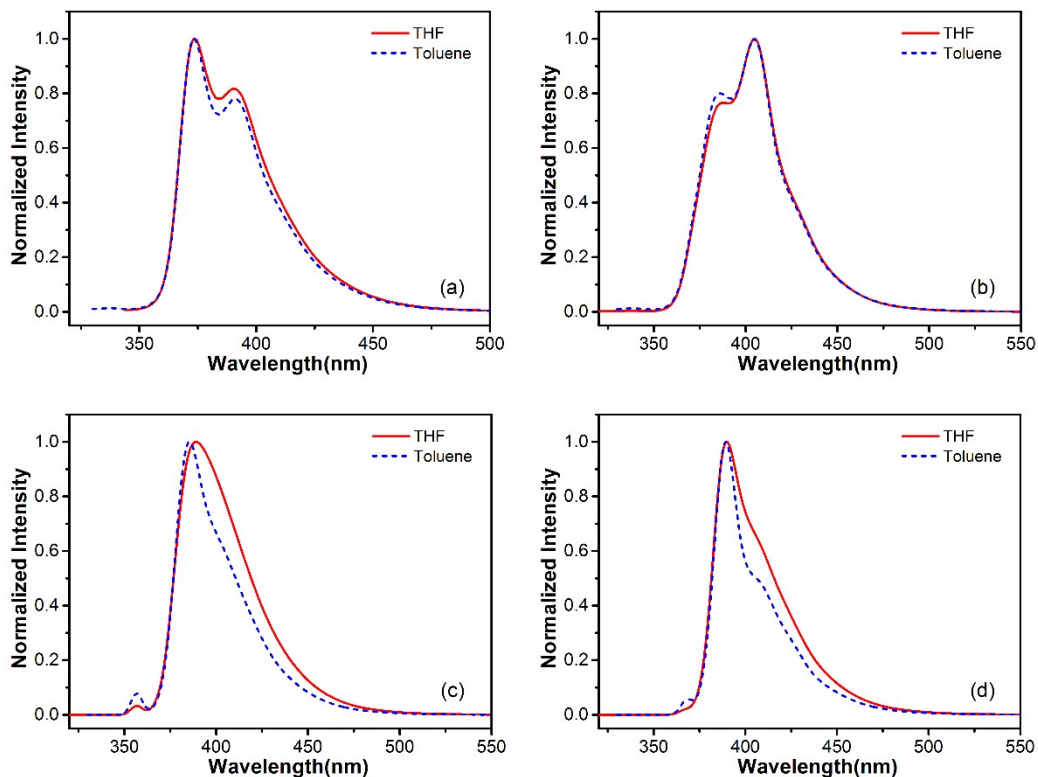
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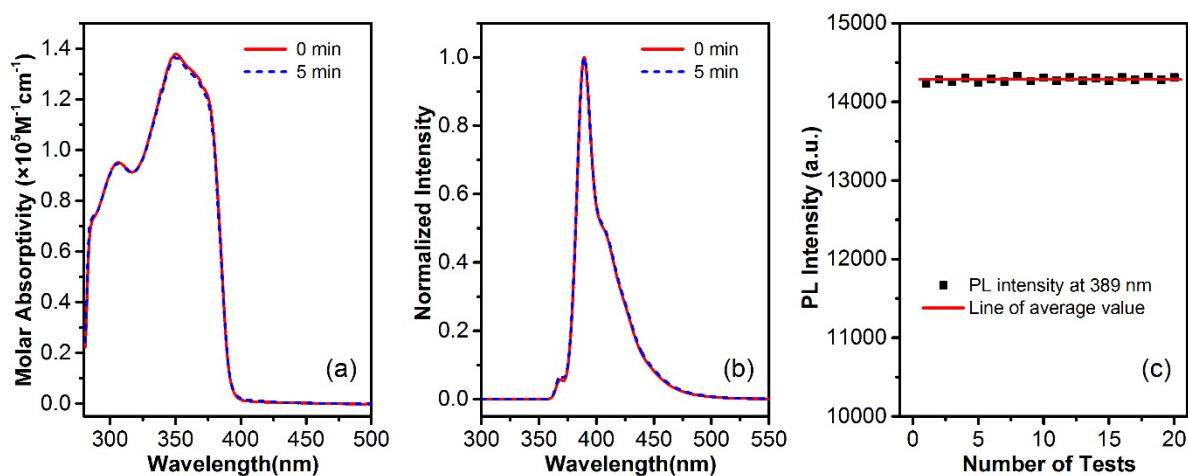
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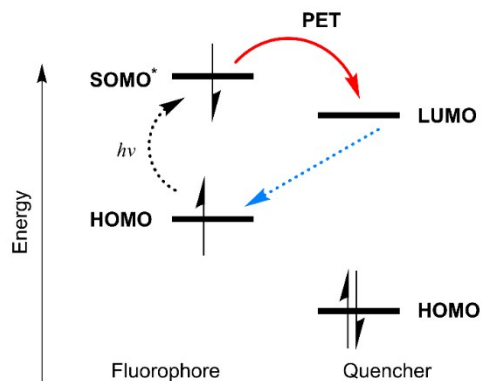
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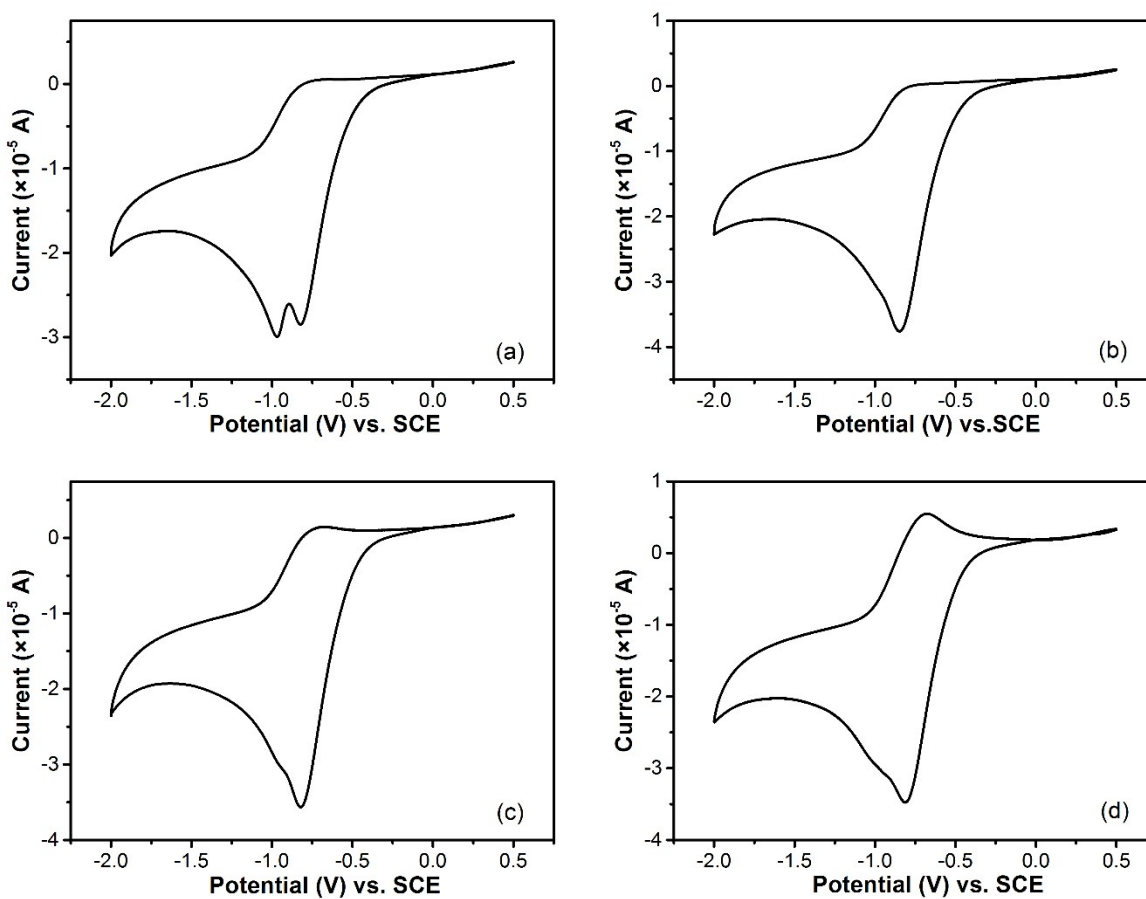
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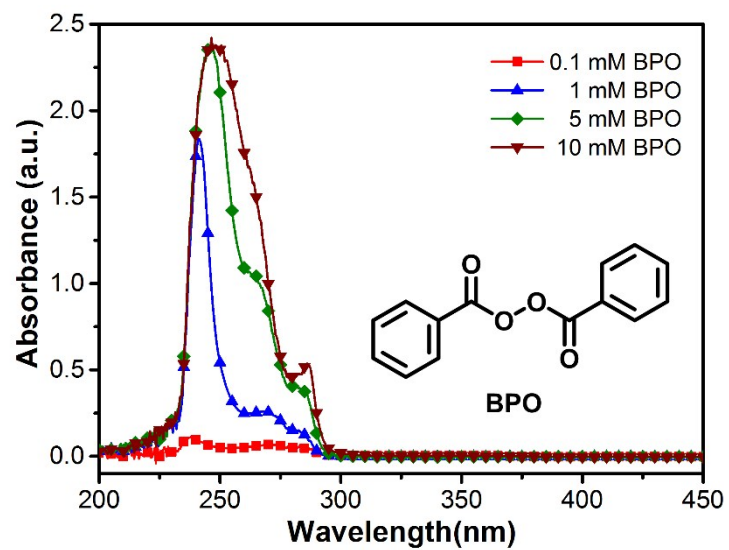
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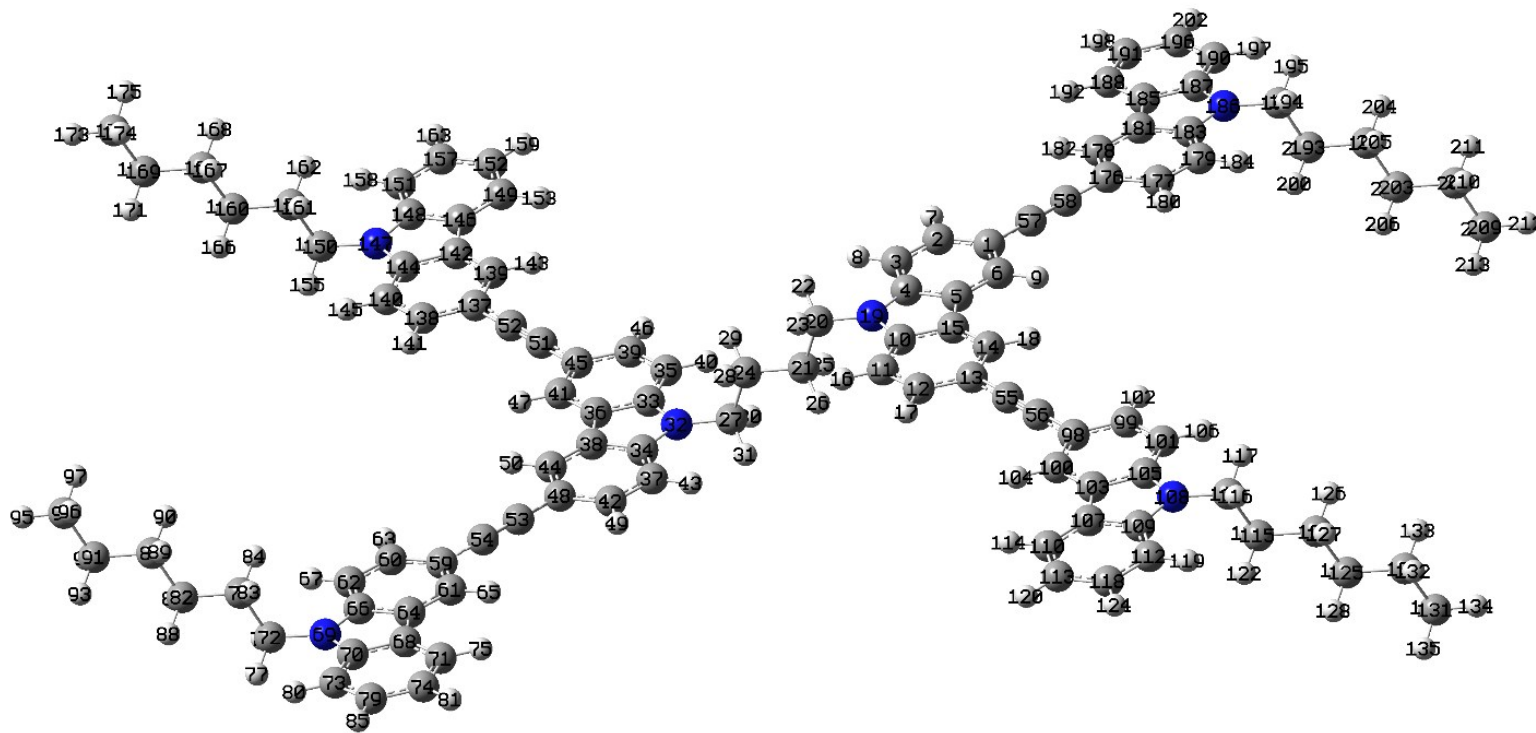
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Bond lengths(Å)		Bond angles(°)		Dihedral angle(°)	
N(20)-C(21)	1.4517	C(4)-N(20)-C(21)	125.63	C(3)-C(4)-N(20)-C(21)	-3.93
C(21)-C(22)	1.5371	N(20)-C(21)-C(22)	113.54	C(4)-N(20)-C(21)-C(22)	-87.61
C(53)-C(54)	1.2173	C(21)-C(22)-C(25)	112.33	C(43)-C(49)-C(96)-C(98)	0.13
N(67)-C(70)	1.4537	N(67)-C(70)-C(74)	113.75	C(64)-N(67)-C(70)-C(74)	87.77

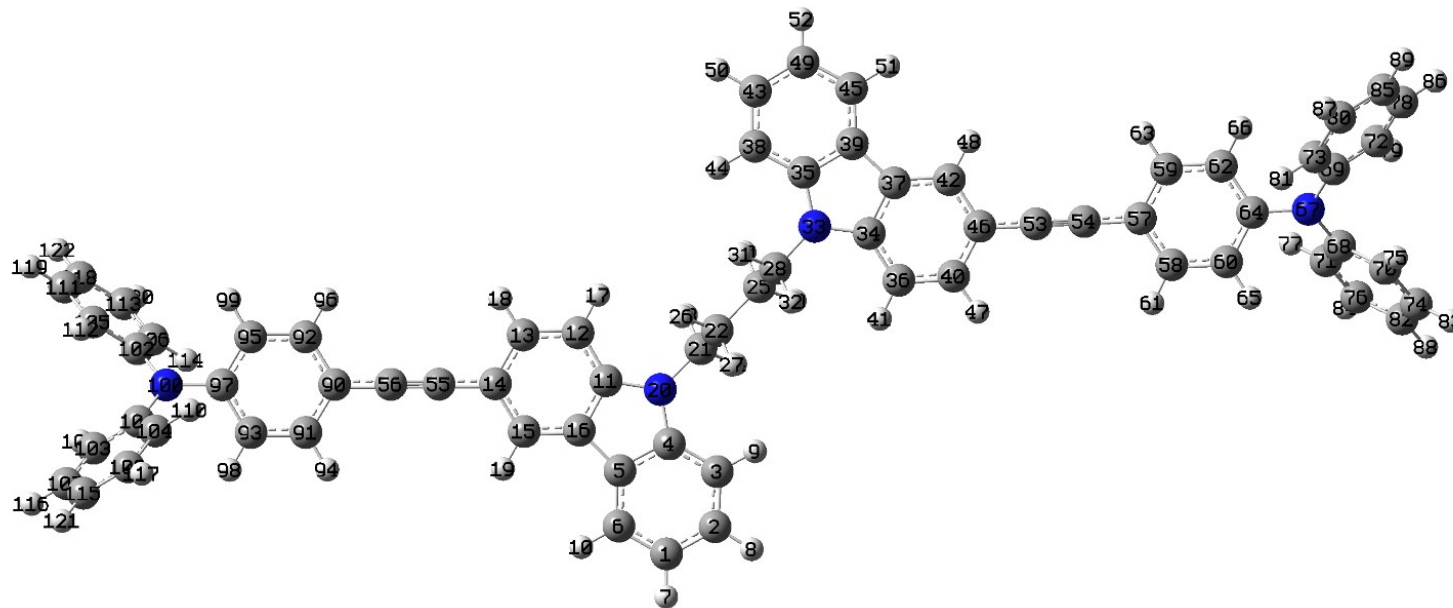


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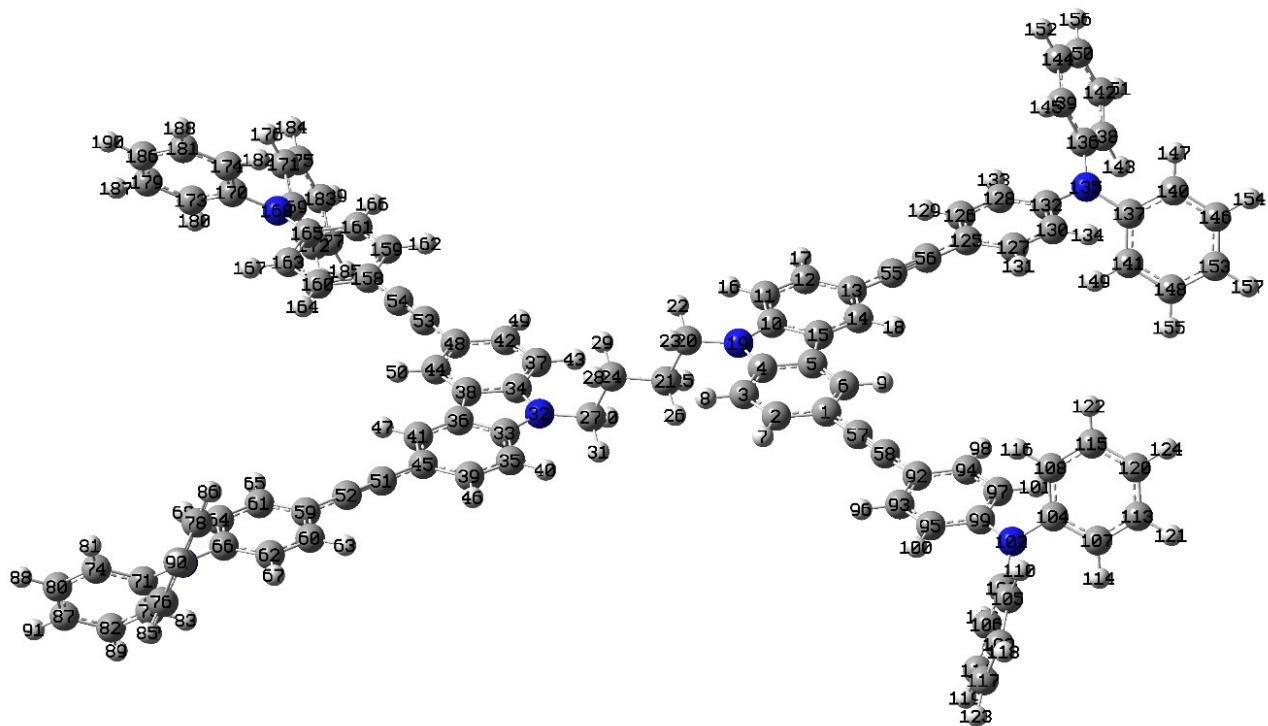
Bond lengths(Å)		Bond angles(°)		Dihedral angle(°)	
N(19)-C(20)	1.4524	C(4)-N(19)-C(20)	125.60	C(3)-C(4)-N(19)-C(20)	4.27
C(20)-C(21)	1.5368	C(14)-C(13)-C(57)	120.69	C(4)-N(19)-C(20)-C(21)	87.01
C(53)-C(54)	1.2173	N(19)-C(20)-C(21)	113.43	C(14)-C(13)-C(98)-C(99)	2.94
N(69)-C(72)	1.4537	C(66)-N(69)-C(72)	125.69	C(66)-N(69)-N(72)-C(76)	-87.95

**Table S3.** The optimized structure and part data of selected bond lengths, angles and dihedral angles of **DTPADCzBu**



Bond lengths(Å)		Bond angles(°)		Dihedral angle(°)	
N(20)-C(21)	1.4519	C(4)-N(20)-C(21)	125.62	C(3)-C(4)-N(20)-C(21)	-4.00
C(21)-C(22)	1.5370	C(13)-C(14)-C(55)	120.01	C(4)-N(20)-C(21)-C(22)	-87.00
C(53)-C(54)	1.2176	N(20)-C(21)-C(22)	113.48	C(13)-C(14)-C(90)-C(92)	0.79
C(64)-N(67)	1.4167	C(64)-N(67)-C(68)	120.26	C(62)-C(64)-N(67)-C(69)	38.65

**Table S4.** The optimized structure and part data of selected bond lengths, angles and dihedral angles of QTPADCzBu



Bond lengths(Å)		Bond angles(°)		Dihedral angle(°)	
C(27)-N(32)	1.4525	C(4)-N(19)-C(20)	125.71	C(3)-C(4)-N(19)-C(20)	-2.45
C(24)-C(27)	1.5367	C(14)-C(13)-C(55)	120.64	C(4)-N(19)-C(20)-C(21)	-88.34
C(53)-C(54)	1.2175	N(19)-C(20)-C(21)	113.58	C(14)-C(13)-C(125)-C(127)	-5.30
C(66)-N(69)	1.4162	C(66)-N(69)-C(70)	120.20	C(62)-C(66)-N(69)-C(70)	38.03

**Table S5.** UV-vis absorption data of **DCzBu** and DCzBus in THF and Toluene ( $1 \times 10^{-5}$  M)

Compounds	Solvents	$\lambda_1^a$	$\epsilon_1^b$	$\lambda_2^a$	$\epsilon_2^b$	$\lambda_3^a$	$\epsilon_3^b$
<b>DCzBu</b>	THF	239	6.02	262	3.81	294	2.80
	Toluene	-	-	-	-	294	3.01
<b>DHeCzDCzBu</b>	THF	245	11.59	305	11.54	322	9.06
	Toluene	-	-	305	12.21	322	9.35
<b>QHeCzDCzBu</b>	THF	245	13.70	306	15.86	-	-
	Toluene	-	-	306	16.39	-	-
<b>DTPADCzBu</b>	THF	240	7.49	291	6.33	355	8.51
	Toluene	-	-	294	6.41	351	8.23
<b>QTPADCzBu</b>	THF	245	8.30	305	9.96	348	14.92
	Toluene	-	-	307	9.59	351	13.95

<sup>a</sup> Wavelength (unit: nm) and <sup>b</sup> Molar absorption coefficient (unit:  $10^4 \text{ M}^{-1} \cdot \text{cm}^{-1}$ ) of *i*-th maximum absorption peak.

**Table S6.** Fluorescence data of **DCzBu** and DCzBus in THF and Toluene ( $1 \times 10^{-6}$  M)

Compounds	Data measured in THF			Data measured in Toluene		
	$\text{Ex}_{\text{max}}^a$ (nm)	$\text{Em}_{\text{max}}^b$ (nm)	$\Phi^d$	$\text{Ex}_{\text{max}}^a$ (nm)	$\text{Em}_{\text{max}}^b$ (nm)	$\Phi^d$
<b>DCzBu</b>	293	350 (366) <sup>c</sup>	0.16	293	351 (367) <sup>c</sup>	0.23
<b>DHeCzDCzBu</b>	304	374 (391) <sup>c</sup>	0.25	305	373 (391) <sup>c</sup>	0.36
<b>QHeCzDCzBu</b>	306	405 (388) <sup>c</sup>	0.24	306	405 (387) <sup>c</sup>	0.32
<b>DTPADCzBu</b>	355	389	0.57	355	386	0.60
<b>QTPADCzBu</b>	366	390	0.58	366	390	0.64

Maximum <sup>a</sup> excitation and <sup>b</sup> emission wavelength; <sup>c</sup> Wavelength of shoulder peak of maximum emission peak; <sup>d</sup> Quantum yield of fluorescence, relative to quinine sulfate (0.1 M H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> solution).

**Table S7.** The calculation outcomes of the TPA cross-sections of DCzBus under different excitation laser wavelengths

Wavelength (nm)	$\sigma_{\text{TPA}}$ (GM)			
	DHeCzDCzBu	QHeCzDCzBu	DTPADCzBu	QTPADCzBu
720	8.88	25.07	42.38	107.68
730	10.25	24.69	42.71	112.68
740	5.90	18.48	35.11	93.40
750	3.28	15.07	32.78	94.36
760	1.30	8.84	22.25	82.27
770		2.81	8.53	47.33
780		0.78	2.06	17.12
790			1.03	7.47
800				1.82
810				1.89